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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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In the Matter of

Amendment of Section 73.202(b))	
Table of Allotments)	MB Docket No. 04-
FM Broadcast Stations)	RM -
(Grand Portage, Minnesota))	
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To The Commission

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

Cook County Broadcasting of Minnesota ("CCBM"), by its counsel, hereby submits this Petition for Rule Making ("Petition") filed pursuant to Sections 1.401 and 1.420 of the Commission's Rules. CCBM respectfully requests that the Commission institute a rule making proceeding to allocate Channel 245C0 at Grand Portage, Minnesota as that community's first local service. As shown below, the allocation would provide Grand Portage with its first local service. Hence, the allocation constitutes a preferential arrangement and improved service to the public. In support thereof, the following is hereby shown:

I. Technical Compliance

The Petition proposes modifications to the FM Table of Allotments to allocate Channel 245C0 to Grand Portage, Minnesota.¹ As detailed in the attached Engineering Statement,² the proposed allotment comports with the Commission's minimum-distance separation requirements as outlined in Section 73.207(b) of the Commission's rules. The proposed allotment of Channel 245C0 to Grand Portage would provide the requisite principal-community coverage to the entire

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¹ The proposed reference coordinates are 47-57-50 N, 89-41-05 W.

community of Grand Portage.³ The community of Grand Portage is not located within the defined boundaries of any urbanized areas and the proposed 70 dBu contour will not cover more than 50% of any urbanized area.

II. Community of License - Grand Portage, Minnesota

Grand Portage possesses characteristics demonstrative of a community. The origin of the community's name came from the river, which is impassable for many miles because of rapids and high waterfalls. Native Americans (Ojibwe peoples) had to portage an eight mile trail around the rapids and waterfalls. The Ojibwe peoples used the "grand portage" as a link between their inland winter camps and summer homes at Grand Portage Bay on Lake Superior. Centuries later, European fur traders followed their lead and Grand Portage became the inland headquarters for a worldwide fur trade. From 1730 until 1805 this trading post hosted hundreds of traders, partners, and voyagers as goods and cultures from all over the world met in Grand Portage in a flurry of trading activity.

Today Grand Portage is a community with a population of 538 persons.⁴ The community has its own zip code (55605) and its own branch of the U.S. Postal service, both of which are indicative of an established community. Grand Portage has its own schools (Grand Portage Elementary School and Grand Portage Head Start), which enrolls students from neighboring towns.⁵ Grand Portage is governed by the Grand Portal Tribal Council Members, consisting of a Chairman and four council members. Grand Portage has a health clinic, community center, day

² See Engineering Statement of Fred Hannel, attached hereto as Exhibit 1 to this petition.

³ See Id

⁴ See 2000 U S Census.

⁵ See Exhibit 2

care, department of motor vehicles, and water and sewer services.⁶ The Mt. Rose Church, Holy Rose Catholic Church and Trinity Lutheran Church are located in Grand Portage.⁷ The Grand Portage Lodge & Casino is located in Grand Portage.⁸ The U.S Immigration and Naturalization Service has an office in Grand Portage. The office is open 24 hours a day and is the port of entry for Crane Lake and Ely, Minnesota.

Many local businesses are located in Grand Portage, including the Rydens Border Store Café, Grand Portage Marina, Trading Post, Laundromat, Grand Portage Chipper Plant, and Sweet Grass Cove Guesthouse. Grand Portage has services for its citizens, including the Waban Healing Center, Educations Office, Grand Portage Conservation Office, Grand Portage Food Program, Grand Portage Health Service, Grand Portage Housing Complex, Grand Portage Sewage Department, and Grand Portage Human Service Department.

Grand Portage is the gateway to the great outdoors in Northern Minnesota. The Grand Portage State Park provides activities for all outdoor enthusiasts, including kayaking, canoeing, nature walks and cross country skiing. People may hike to High Falls in the Grand Portage State Park, the tallest waterfalls in the State of Minnesota. Or they may hike on various trails, including the Boardwalk Trail Hike, Mount Josephine Hike, Mount Rose Hike and Mount Maude Hike. They may take a walk to the Witch Tree, a sacred and otherwise restricted area. Visitors may take a trip back in time to the Grand Portage National Monument, a recreation of an

 $^{^6}$ Id

⁷ *Id*

⁸ *Id*

⁹ *Id*.

¹⁰ *Id*

¹¹ Id

1800's Fur Trade Fort.¹² The Grand Portage National Monument celebrates the contributions of Native Americans and the Fur Traders to the development of Grand Portage.

Based on the foregoing facts, Grand Portage qualifies as a community for allotment of Channel 245C0 to Grand Portage, Minnesota, as that community's first local service.

CCBM hereby states in the event that the Commission makes the proposed changes to the FM Table of Allotments, CCBM will timely participate in any auction for the new allotment, file the necessary application for a construction permit for a new station, and will construct the new facility in a timely manner.

CONCLUSION

The instant Petition proposes the following change to the FM Table of Allotments:

Community	<u>Current</u>	Channel No. Proposed
Grand Portage, Minnesota		245C0

This proposal will serve the public interest by providing Grand Portage, Minnesota with its own first local service. CCBM respectfully requests that the FCC initiate and approve this rule making proceeding to modify the FM Table of Allotments as proposed herein to provide improved service to the community involved, which will result in a greater benefit to the public.

WHEREFORE, FOR THE FOREGING REASONS, Cook County Broadcasting of Minnesota respectfully requests that the Commission issue a Notice of Proposed Rule Making in connection with the proposal outlined in this Petition for Rule Making and modify Section 73.202(b) accordingly.

¹² *Id*

Respectfully submitted,

COOK COUNTY BROADCASTING OF MINNESOTA

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April 13, 2004

Its Counsel

EXHIBIT 1

Cook County Broadcasting of Minnesota

Petition to Amend the FM Table of Allotments Grand Portage, Minnesota FM Channel 245C0

March 2004

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COUNTY OF MARICOPA)
SS:

F. W. Hannel, after being duly sworn upon oath, deposes and states:

He is a registered Professional Engineer, by examination, in the State of Illinois;

He is a graduate Electrical Engineer, holding Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees, both in Electrical Engineering;

His qualifications are a matter of public record and have been accepted in prior filings and appearances requiring scrutiny of his professional qualifications;

The attached Engineering Report was prepared by him personally or under his supervision and direction and;

The facts stated herein are true, correct, and complete to the best of his knowledge and belief.

March 8, 2004

F W Hannel P.E.

F. W. Hannel, PE 10733 East Butherus Drive Scottsdale, AZ 85259 (480) 585-7475 Fax (815) 327-9559 http://www.fwhannel.com

Cook County Broadcasting of Minnesota

Petition to Amend the FM Table of Allotments Grand Portage, Minnesota FM Channel 245C0

March 2004

Engineering Statement

This firm has been retained by Cook County Broadcasting of Minnesota to prepare this Engineering Statement In support of its Petition Ib Amend the FM Table of Allotments, which seeks to have FM Channel 245C0 assigned to Grand Portage, Minnesota as that community's first local service. The proposed assignment of the channel at Grand Portage, Minnesota can be made without any further disturbance to the FM Table of Allotments.

The community of Grand Portage, Minnesota has a 2000 U.S. Census population of 538 persons and is located in Cook County, Minnesota, which has a 2000 U.S.Census population of 5,168 persons. The requested assignment of FM Channel 245C0 would provide the community with its first local aural service. The requested changes can be accomplished with a minimum of disturbance to the present FM Table of Allotments, for the new service can be implemented by simply amending the FM Table of Allotments to assign the requested channel to the community.

The community of Grand Portage, Minnesota is located at U.S. Atlas coordinates N47-57-50, W89-41-05. A sample transmitter site located at the community reference co-ordinates will satisfy the mileage separation and city grade illumination requirements of the Rules using either uniform earth or actual terrain. Attached as Exhibit E-1 is an FM Channel study conducted at the allotment reference site which shows that the allotment site conforms to the mileage separation requirements of the Rules at the selected allotment site. In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the Commission amend the FM Table of Allotments as follows:

Community	Present	Proposed
Grand Portage, Minnesota		245C0

Adoption of the changes as proposed above will provide Grand Portage, Minnesota with a first wide coverage area facility, as well as provide the entire county with an additional aural service. The requested changes clearly serve the public interest, for providing a wide coverage area local service is given a high priority in situations such as this. There is no loss for any community should the Commission amend the FM Table of Allotments as requested in this proposal.

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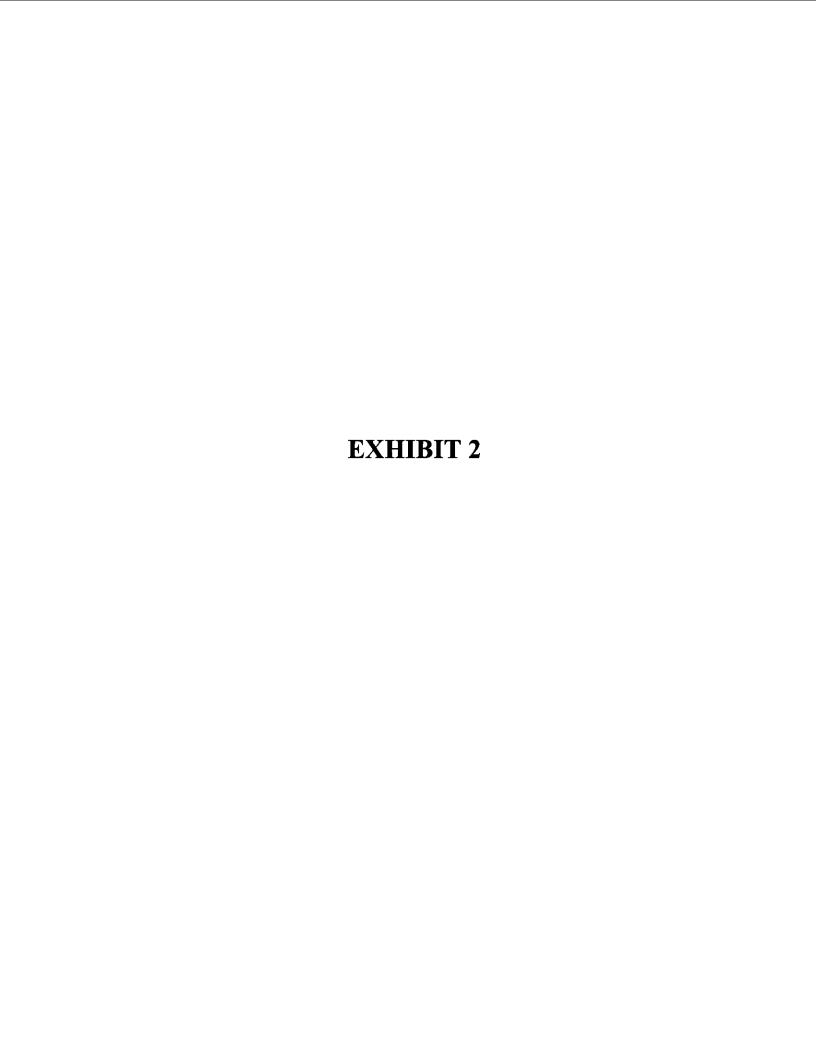
Petition to Amend the FM Table of Allotments Grand Portage, Minnesota FM Channel Study

Exhibit E-1 March 2004

N47-57-50 W89-41-05 FM Channel 245C0

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KMFY	MN	GRAND RAPIDS	96.9	245	100000.0	C1	LIC	292.74	259.00	33.7
KMFY	MN	GRAND RAPIDS	96.9	245	0.0	C1	USE	292.74	259.00	33.7

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Ryden's Border Store-Cafe (218) 475-2330

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Grand Portage Elementary Schl (218) 475-2345

Grand Portage Head Start (218) 475-2234

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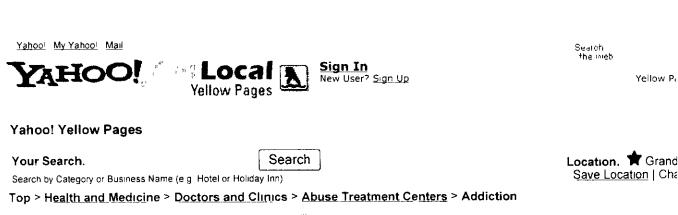
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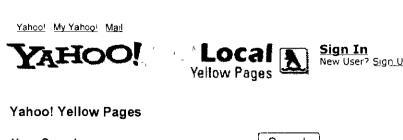
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Grand Portage Contract Health (218) 475-2302

Grand Portage Food Program (218) 475-2480

Grand Portage Forestry (218) 475-2201

Grand Portage Health Svc (218) 475-2235

Grand Portage Housing Complex (218) 475-0004

Grand Portage Human Svc Dept (218) 475-2453

Grand Portage Reservation (218) 475-2208

Grand Portage Reservation (218) 475-2277

Grand Portage Reservation Tc (218) 475-2239

Mn Trade & Economic Dev (218) 475-2592

US General Svc Adm (218) 475-2221

US Immigration Naturalization (218) 475-2494

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Early Chippewa first used the "grand portage" to link inland winter camps to summer homes at Grand Portage. Bay on Lake Superior. This 8.5 mile trek up the Pigeon River bypassed a series of waterfalls, including High Falls. From there, the Grand Portage people gained access to the chain of lakes and rivers that led to the vast plains of Canada.

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The Chippewa people still make their home at Grand Portage and celebrate traditional culture, and pristing

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Come share in the unique and special charm of Grand Portage.

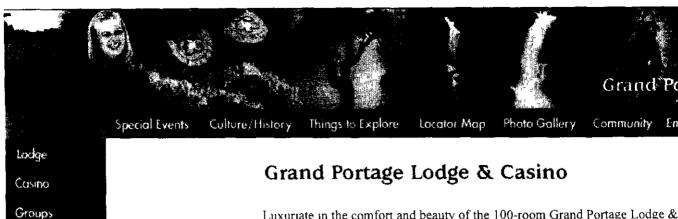
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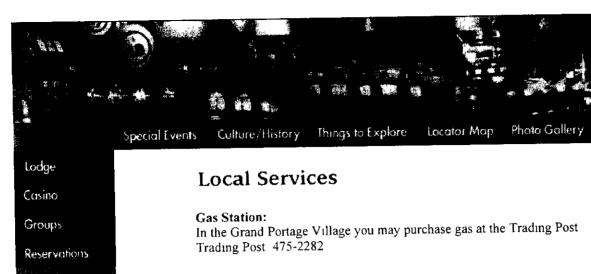
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Lodge Office P O Box 233 Grand Portage, MN 55605 Telephone 218-475-2401 Facsimile 218-475-2309

Call 1-800-543-1384 for reservations and information.



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Laundry:

Local Services

There is a Laundromat located in the Village of Grand Portage Call the front desk at 1-800-543-1384 for more details

Massage:

Sweetgrass Cove located on Hwy 61 in Grand Portage offers a variety of services for mind, body and spirit Sweetgrass Cove 475-2421 or (866)-475-2421 Sweetgrass Cove

Area Churches:

Holy Rosary Catholic (218) 387-1409 Sunday 12pm

Mount Rose Community Church (Baptist) (218) 475-2300 Sunday 10am

Trinity Lutheran Church (218) 387-2227 Sunday 8 30am



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Community



Culture & History

Early Ojibwe peoples first used the "grand portage" to link inland winter camps to summer homes at Grand Portage Bay on Lake Superior. This 8.5-mile trek up the Pigeon River bypassed a series of waterfalls, including High Falls. From there, the Grand Portage people gained access to the chain of lakes and rivers that led to the vast plains of Canada Centuries later, European fur traders followed their lead and Grand Portage became the inland headquarters for a worldwide fur trade. From 1730 to 1805 this trading post hosted hundreds of traders, partners and voyagers as goods and cultures from all over the world met at Grand Portage in a flurry of trading activity.

The Ojibwe peoples still make their home at Grand Portage and celebrate traditional culture. The Grand Portage National Monument, established in 1960, includes the archeological remains of the Northwest Company Depot as well as a full restoration of the trading post, stockade, Great Hall, surround palisades and more. Open mid-May through mid-October, visitors catch a glimpse of an era when the fur trade made Grand Portage an emporium of goods and melting pot of cultures. Look out over the bay and imagine a flotilla of huge, heavily laden canoes arriving from as far east as Montreal. Grand Portage was, literally, the Gateway to the West

Rendevous Days in mid-August also helps preserve Ojibwe traditions and celebrate new ones by bring people together from all over for a weekend filled with activity – pow-wow dancing softball, a 1 and 3-mile walk, turkey shoot, horseshoe tournament and games for the kids

Sled dog racing was once a way of life for the Ojibwe Before the time of European settlers, and boundaries between the United States and Canada, the people of Grand Portage traveled inland from Lake Superior during the winter months in pursuit of their wild game food supply Winter travel proved difficult with no modern day roads or vehicles. The sled dog not only provided the strength to pull heavy loads, but also served as a traveling companion during cold winter hunts.

The people of Grand Portage traveled north to the Nipigon region, east to Isle Royale and west toward Winnipeg in pursuit of food. Their travels took them many miles, which were accomplished primarily through the tireless aid of their sled dogs. It is this "passage" from summer to winter camps that the people of Grand Portage remember and commemorate at the annual Grand Portage Passage Sled Dog Race.



The Great Rendezvous Place 1-800-543-1384



Naturalist Program

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Grand Portage has developed and implemented programs which increase visitor awareness, appreciation, and understanding of the natural, recreational, cultural, and historical resources in Grand Portage

A Naturalist is on staff to assist guests in their enjoyment of such activities as

Escorted walk to the Witch Tree (a sacred and restricted area otherwise) Naturalist Walk to High Falls in the Grand Portage State Park Historical Walk to the 1800's Fur Trade Fort at the National Monument Boardwalk Trail Hike Mount Josephine Hike Mount Rose Hike Mount Maude Hike Sugar Bush Walk during Fall Colors with Maple Sugaring Demo Lake Superior Evening Cruise (Saturday nights, call for dates) Geological Shoreline Walk Storytelling by Campfire on the Beach (Friday nights, call for dates) Naturalist-led and Self-guided Birding Tours TePee Presentations on the Shore of Lake Superior Wildlife Tour in search of animals native to the area Flora and Fauna Identification Walks Indoor Programming and Video or Slide Presentations



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And so much more!



Tribal Government

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American Indian Tribes, like states, are sovereign governments under the U S Constitution

The Grand Portage Reservation Tribal Council is the governing body of the reservation and is one of six bands of Chippewa that make up the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. There are five Tribal Council members in office, The Chairman, Vice-chairman, Secretary/Treasures, and two Members at Large. The enrolled members of the band elect the Tribal Council Officers, elections are held every two years for half of the official positions. The Grand Portage Tribal Council, like other governments, provide for the needs of their people. These needs include health care, social services, education, jobs, housing, public safety, etc.

Grand Portage Tribal Council Members- 2003

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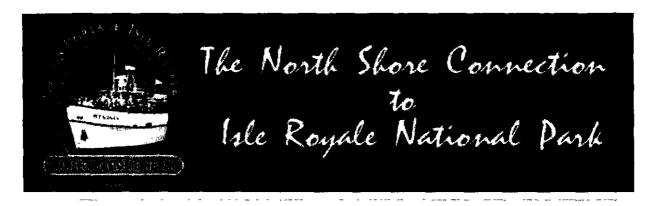
Within the community there are many services and programs to provide for the needs of the people

Listed below are the programs and services in the community

Health Clinic	475-2235
Community Services/ Moccasin Telegraph	475-0140
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Grand Portage Isle Royale Transportation Line..... A Family Legacy

Isle Royale National Park is a rich historical location, settled by native American copper miners long before the days of Christopher Columbus In the late 1800's, it became the home of numerous commercial fishing families, many of whom were Scandinavian and German immigrants

The Isle Royale archipelago, extending over 50 miles, is the "eye" of Lake Superior. The main island is 45 miles long and 8 miles wide, covering over 571,790 acres, most of which is back country wilderness. Isle Royale National Park was authorized in 1931, and in 1980 was



An aerial view of one of the off-shore islands of Isle Royale National Park. courtesy of the National Park Service

designated a biosphere reserve. It is currently home to an amazing abundance of wildlife, including wolves, moose, fox, beaver, gulls, cormorants, loons, ducks, otters, eagles and rare plants.

Grand Portage Isle Royale Transportation Line began as a way for the Sivertson family of Lake Superior's north shore to transport their catch of freshwater fish from Isle Royale to Minnesota It gradually expanded to include passenger service

Today, "GPIR" provides transportation for those who wish to camp, hike, canoe or kayak throughout the park, as well as to those who only wish to enjoy the park's natural beauty and history for the day

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Torrents of wild water plummet 120 feet over the High Falls down to the Pigeon River in this park on the U.S. - Canadian border. The falls, the highest in the state, presented a serious obstacle to river travel, so a "carrying place," or portage, was necessary. American

Indians created the ancient nine-mile trail from Lake Superior to bypass the falls. This trail became known as "The Grand Portage" Today, visitors of all abilities can take a one-half mile trail and boardwalk to the falls overlook area. The park is designed for day use only and contains mixed hardwood-confer forests and hiking trails along the banks of the Pigeon River. The spectacular scenery sets the stage for recreational opportunities that include hiking, photography, and picnicking. The park lies within the Grand Portage Indian Reservation and is bordered by Canada on the north and east. Lake Superior is about one mile east of the park.

Fell me more about this park's wildlife, history, geology and landscape

Visitor Alert!

See the scenic beauty of Minnesota's highest waterfall!

PARK HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ Minnesota's Highest Waterfall ✓ Hiking
- ✓ Scenic Views ✓ Picnicking
- ✓ Spring/Summer Wildflowers

EVENTS:

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No events have been listed for the current time period. Check the <u>DNR</u> Events Calendar for more events

More State Park Events

Hours

Best time to contact the park May 1 to Memorial Day: Fri /Sat /Sun 9 a m - 5 p m Memorial Weekend through Labor Day Daily 9 a m - 5 p m

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Getting There

• From the town of Grand Marais, Minnesota, travel north on State Highway 61 for about 36 miles to the Canadian Border The park entrance is on the west side of the highway, just before you come to the U S Customs Station on the US/Canada border

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Grand Portage

This community is located on the North Shore of Lake Superior, 35 miles north of Grand Marais on Highway 61, just five miles from the Canadian border. Visit High Falls State Park, the Grand Portage National Monument, or relax with a view of the beautiful natural harbor.

These web sites are housed on Boreal Access

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Grand Portage Accomodations

<u>Grand Portage Lodge and Casino</u>
The lodge offers 100 rooms, some facing Lake Superior, other the northwoods Restaurant and Casino

1-800-543-1384

Sweet Grass Cove Guesthouse and Bodywork Studio.

The bed and breakfast home hugs the ledge rock shore of a secluded and uniquely beautiful Lake Superior bay near the historic village of Grand Portage 1-866-475-2421



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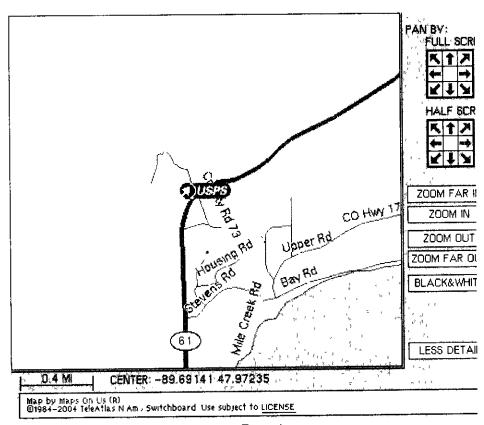
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